

REMARKS

Claims 1-51 are pending. Claim 38 has been amended. Support for the amendments is found in the specification and claims as filed.

Suggested Restriction Requirement

Applicants suggest the following restriction requirement:

- Group I: Claims 1-21, drawn to a biointerface membrane including a porous first domain having interconnected cavities and a permeable second domain, classified in class 623, subclass 23.76.
- Group II: Claims 22-25, drawn to a method of monitoring an analyte level comprising implanting in a host an analyte sensor having a biointerface membrane with a porous first domain, classified in class 424, subclass 9.1.
- Group III: Claims 26-44, drawn to an implantable device including a sensing region and a membrane including a biointerface region with cavernous and non-cavernous portions, classified in class 600, subclass 309.
- Group IV: Claim 45, drawn to an implantable glucose sensor having a porous silicone portion and a non-porous skin, classified in class 424, subclass 424.
- Group V: Claim 46, drawn to an implantable sensor having a porous membrane comprising silicone and a non-porous, analyte-permeable membrane that is impermeable to cells, classified in class 623, subclass 23.64.
- Group VI: Claim 47, drawn to an implantable glucose sensor having a fibrous domain that supports tissue ingrowth and an analyte-permeable non-fibrous domain, classified in class 523, subclass 114.
- Group VII: Claims 48-49, drawn to an implantable sensor comprising a biointerface membrane that becomes vascularized and facilitates sensor function, classified in class 523, subclass 113.
- Group VIII: Claims 50-51, drawn to a method of measuring an analyte in a tissue using an implantable analyte sensor, including the steps of measuring the analyte concentration before and after tissue ingrowth, classified in class 600, subclass 377.

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Applicants hereby elect without traverse the invention of Group III, including Claims 26-44.

No Disclaimers or Disavowals

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Co-Pending Applications of Assignee

Applicant wishes to draw the Examiner's attention to the following co-pending applications of the present application's assignee.

Serial Number	Title	Filed
09/916386	MEMBRANE FOR USE WITH IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	7/27/2001
10/768889	MEMBRANE FOR USE WITH IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	1/29/2004
11/021162	SENSOR HEAD FOR USE WITH IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	12/22/2004
08/811473	DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING ANALYTE LEVELS	3/4/1997
09/447227	DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING ANALYTE LEVELS	11/22/1999
11/021046	DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING ANALYTE LEVELS	12/22/2004
10/153356	TECHNIQUES TO IMPROVE POLYURETHANE MEMBRANES FOR IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSORS	5/22/2002
11/404418	SILICONE BASED MEMBRANES FOR USE IN IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSORS	4/14/2006
11/280672	TECHNIQUES TO IMPROVE POLYURETHANE MEMBRANES FOR IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSORS	11/16/2005

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11/280102	TECHNIQUES TO IMPROVE POLYURETHANE MEMBRANES FOR IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSORS	11/16/2005
10/646333	OPTIMIZED SENSOR GEOMETRY FOR AN IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSOR	8/22/2003
11/416058	OPTIMIZED SENSOR GEOMETRY FOR AN IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSOR	5/2/2006
11/416346	OPTIMIZED SENSOR GEOMETRY FOR AN IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSOR	5/2/2006
11/415631	OPTIMIZED SENSOR GEOMETRY FOR AN IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSOR	5/2/2006
10/647065	POROUS MEMBRANES FOR USE WITH IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	8/22/2003
10/842716	BIOINTERFACE MEMBRANES INCORPORATING BIOACTIVE AGENTS	5/10/2004
11/416825	BIOINTERFACE MEMBRANES INCORPORATING BIOACTIVE AGENTS	5/3/2006
11/416734	BIOINTERFACE MEMBRANES INCORPORATING BIOACTIVE AGENTS	5/3/2006
11/654135	POROUS MEMBRANES FOR USE WITH IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	1/17/2007
10/633367	SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANALYTE SENSOR DATA	8/1/2003
10/896637	ROLLED ELECTRODE ARRAY AND ITS METHOD FOR MANUFACTURE	7/21/2004
10/896639	OXYGEN ENHANCING MEMBRANE SYSTEMS FOR IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	7/21/2004
11/410392	OXYGEN ENHANCING MEMBRANE SYSTEMS FOR IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	4/25/2006
11/675063	ANALYTE SENSOR	2/14/2007
11/410555	OXYGEN ENHANCING MEMBRANE SYSTEMS FOR IMPLANTABLE DEVICES	4/25/2006
10/897377	ELECTROCHEMICAL SENSORS INCLUDING ELECTRODE SYSTEMS WITH INCREASED OXYGEN GENERATION	7/21/2004
10/897312	ELECTRODE SYSTEMS FOR ELECTROCHEMICAL SENSORS	7/21/2004
10/632537	SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANALYTE SENSOR DATA	8/1/2003
11/038340	SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANALYTE SENSOR DATA	1/18/2005
10/633404	SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANALYTE SENSOR DATA	8/1/2003

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10/633329	SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANALYTE SENSOR DATA	8/1/2003
10/648849	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR REPLACING SIGNAL ARTIFACTS IN A GLUCOSE SENSOR DATA STREAM	8/22/2003
11/498410	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR REPLACING SIGNAL ARTIFACTS IN A GLUCOSE SENSOR DATA STREAM	8/2/2006
11/763215	SILICONE COMPOSITION FOR BIOCOMPATIBLE MEMBRANE	6/14/2007
11/007920	SIGNAL PROCESSING FOR CONTINUOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	12/8/2004
10/991353	AFFINITY DOMAIN FOR ANALYTE SENSOR	11/16/2004
11/007635	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR IMPROVING ELECTROCHEMICAL ANALYTE SENSORS	12/7/2004
10/991966	INTEGRATED RECEIVER FOR CONTINUOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	11/17/2004
11/055779	BIOINTERFACE WITH MACRO-AND MICRO-ARCHITECTURE	2/9/2005
10/789359	INTEGRATED DELIVERY DEVICE FOR CONTINUOUS GLUCOSE SENSOR	2/26/2004
11/004561	CALIBRATION TECHNIQUES FOR A CONTINUOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	12/3/2004
11/543707	DUAL ELECTRODE SYSTEM FOR A CONTINUOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	10/4/2006
11/543539	DUAL ELECTRODE SYSTEM FOR A CONTINUOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	10/4/2006
11/543683	DUAL ELECTRODE SYSTEM FOR A CONTINUOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	10/4/2006
11/543734	DUAL ELECTRODE SYSTEM FOR A CONTINUOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	10/4/2006
11/034344	IMPLANTABLE DEVICE WITH IMPROVED RADIO FREQUENCY CAPABILITIES	1/11/2005
11/034343	COMPOSITE MATERIAL FOR IMPLANTABLE DEVICE	1/11/2005
10/838912	IMPLANTABLE ANALYTE SENSOR	5/3/2004
10/838909	IMPLANTABLE ANALYTE SENSOR	5/3/2004
10/838658	IMPLANTABLE ANALYTE SENSOR	5/3/2004
10/885476	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MANUFACTURE OF AN ANALYTE-MEASURING DEVICE INCLUDING A MEMBRANE SYSTEM	7/6/2004

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11/077715	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	3/10/2005
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11/077714	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	3/10/2005
11/077763	METHOD AND SYSTEMS FOR INSERTING A TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	3/10/2005
11/077643	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	3/10/2005
11/078072	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	3/10/2005
11/415593	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	5/2/2006
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11/797520	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	5/3/2007
11/797521	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	5/3/2007
11/360262	ANALYTE SENSOR	2/22/2006
11/411656	ANALYTE SENSOR	4/26/2006
11/360299	ANALYTE SENSOR	2/22/2006
11/439630	ANALYTE SENSOR	5/23/2006
11/439559	ANALYTE SENSOR	5/23/2006
11/439800	ANALYTE SENSOR	5/23/2006
11/373628	SYSTEM AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANALYTE SENSOR DATA FOR SENSOR CALIBRATION	3/9/2006
11/404929	ANALYTE SENSING BIOINTERFACE	4/14/2006
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11/404946	ANALYTE SENSING BIOINTERFACE	4/14/2006
11/335879	CELLULOSIC-BASED INTERFERENCE DOMAIN FOR AN ANALYTE SENSOR	1/18/2006
11/654140	MEMBRANES FOR AN ANALYTE SENSOR	1/17/2007
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11/413242	CELLULOSIC-BASED RESISTANCE DOMAIN FOR AN ANALYTE SENSOR	4/28/2006
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11/842148	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	8/21/2007
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11/842142	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	8/21/2007
11/334876	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	1/18/2006
11/842154	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	8/20/2007
11/842139	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	8/21/2007
11/360252	ANALYTE SENSOR	2/22/2006
11/360819	ANALYTE SENSOR	2/22/2006
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11/333837	LOW OXYGEN IN VIVO ANALYTE SENSOR	1/17/2006
11/404417	SILICONE BASED MEMBRANES FOR USE IN IMPLANTABLE GLUCOSE SENSORS	4/14/2006
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11/515342	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING ANALYTE SENSOR DATA	9/1/2006
11/762638	SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR REPLACING SIGNAL DATA ARTIFACTS IN A GLUCOSE SENSOR DATA STREAM	6/13/2007
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11/445792	ANALYTE SENSOR	6/1/2006
11/842149	TRANSCUTANEOUS ANALYTE SENSOR	8/21/2007
11/546157	DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING ANALYTE LEVELS	10/10/2006
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11/039269	DEVICE AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING ANALYTE LEVELS	1/19/2005
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